1	2	3	4	5	6
			31.3.2004 31.12.2009	(Tranche-II) 6342	895.961 Rs. 35.445
10.	Rajasthan	Rajasthan Minor Irrigation Improvement Project	31.3.2005 31.3.2013	11555	0.00
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11.	Maharashtra	Minor Irrigation Project	31.12.1998 30.12.2006	EURO 23.008	EURO 5.327 Rs. 27.071
12.	Himachal Pradesh	Minor Irrigation & Rural Water Supply Project	31.10.2002 31.12.2005	EURO 2.659	EURO 0.00

* Participating States are Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Maharashtra, Kerala, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Orissa, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh, Goa, Pondicherry and Punjab. In addition, central agencies namely Central Water Commission, Central Ground Water Board, National Institute of Hydrology, Central Water and Power Research Station, India Meteorological Department, Central Pollution Control Board and Bhakhra Beas Management Board are also participating.

Construction of a dam across Palar river, Tamil Nadu

4087. DR. K. MALAISAMY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that State Government of Andhra Pradesh propose to construct a dam across Palar river affecting the interest of Tamil Nadu;

(b) whether Central Government are fully aware that there has been hue and cry followed by protests and serious objections from Tamil Nadu for such a move on the part of Andhra Pradesh which is illegal and high-handed;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has taken up the issue seriously besides passing a resolution in the House of Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly; and

(d) what are the major effective steps taken by the Central Government to avert this uneasy situation?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ): (a) The State Government of Andhra Pradesh proposes to construct a dam across Palar river. According to Andhra Pradesh, construction of dam is to utilize the water within its share and interest of Tamil Nadu or any other State is not affected. According to Tamil Nadu interest of Tamil Nadu is affected with construction of dam.

(b) The Government of Tamil Nadu has requested the Government of India on 1.2.2006 for intervention and appropriate action in accordance with law and restrain the State of Andhra Pradesh from proceeding further in the matter.

(c) The Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu has taken up the issue with the Government of Andhra Pradesh and also with Government of India. No resolution was passed in the House of Tamil Nadu. However, the matter was discussed in the House of the Tamil Nadu Assembly.

(d) State of Tamil Nadu has already filed an original suit before Supreme Court of India on 10.02.2006 and the matter is *sub-judiced*.

Special status to Rajasthan under Rapid Irrigation Benefit Programme

†4088. DR. PRABHA THAKUR:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering to grant a special status to Rajasthan on the lines of North Eastern States, Jammu and Kashmir and Himachal Pradesh under the Rapid Irrigation Benefit Programme keeping in view the conditions of the State such as two third of its area being the parts of the Thar Desert and having drought prone areas, long international border with Pakistan and facing natural disasters; and

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government in this regard, indicating the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (PROF. SAIF-UD-DIN SOZ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.